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Nat'l Religious Heads Break Ice With R. Toledano

POST Political Reporter

The first official contact between the Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Y. M. Toledano, and leaders of the National Religious Party was made in Jerusalem yesterday. Future cooperation between the Party and the Ministry formed one of the main subjects of discussion.

The meeting was decided upon on Tuesday when Mr. M. Namir and Dr. G. Josephthal, of Mapai, met National Religious representatitle. With the latter having already agreed to Rabbi Toledano retaining his portfolio, the talks were held in a cordial atmosphere.

Dr. Y. Burg, Mr. Y. Rafael and Rabbi I. Rosenberg represented the religious faction at the meeting with Rabbi Toledano, in what may be the turning point in relations with the various religious communities and organizations. Mr. Namir and Dr. Josephthal were present.

It was decided to postpone the gazetting of the new regulations which would limit candidature for election to the post of Chief Rabbi to persons under the age of 70 and who are Israel citizens.

These requirements would automatically rule out the two candidates favoured by the National Religious Party.

On the other hand, little progress was made in talks held by the sub-committee of Mapai and the National Religious Party which is dealing with the question of religious secondary school education. The group includes Messrs. A. Assaf, Y. Rafael, Y. Sarid, and M. Goldschmidt. The religious representatives are firm in their demands to set up separate schools, while Mapai has expressed willingness to establish special classes with a religious trend in secondary schools where the need may arise.

Labour Talks Progress

Future implementation of collective Cabinet responsibility was the main topic at two meetings of the joint committee of the three Labour parties, headed by Mr. A. Govrin, of Mapai.

While both Mapam and Ahdut Ha'avoda are still demanding the right to vote as they wish in the Knesset on issues related to relations with Germany, foreign alliances and military treaties, and military government, Mapai insists that they be allowed only to abstain. The committee is to hold another meeting today in Tel Aviv, and it is hoped to settle the question at talks tomorrow (Friday) with Mr. Ben-Gurion.

The temporary impasse between Mapai and the Progressives on the National Health Insurance issue appears to have been broken at yesterday's meeting between Dr. Josephthal and Mr. M. Kol, when it was decided that a sub-committee will meet in Tel Aviv today in an additional attempt to iron out differences.

CABINET LIST

The distribution of portfolios will be the final topic of the inter-party negotiations. Mapai has proposed the following list:

Mr. Ben-Gurion, Prime Minister and Minister of Defence, with Mr. S. Peres to be appointed Deputy Minister of Defence; Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister; Mr. L. Eshkol, Finance; Mr. P. Sapir, Commerce and Industry; Mr. Z. Aranne, Education and Culture; Mr. M. Dayan, Agriculture; Dr. G. Josephthal, Labour; Mr. B. Shitrit, Police; Mr. A. Eban, Minister without Portfolio.

The Mapam Ministers, Mr. I. Barzilai and Mr. M. Bentov, are expected to retain their Health and Development portfolios respectively.

Ahdut Ha'avoda is to be represented by only one Minister and is likely to retain the Ministry of Transport. Neither Mr. I. Bar-Yehuda nor Mr. M. Carmel is expected to be appointed and Mr. I. Galili may be the party's Minister. Ahdut Ha'avoda however, demands that its Minister also be in charge of the Ministry of Posts, which could be linked with the Ministry of Transport.

The National Religious Party is expected to appoint Mr. H.M. Shapiro and Mr. Y. Rafael as their Ministers, but they demand three portfolios. It is understood that they are to be offered the Ministry of Interior, and the Ministry for Social Welfare. Rabbi Y. M. Toledano is to remain Minister for Religious Affairs.

Mr. P. Rosen of the Progressive Party is to retain the Justice portfolio, which will be kept vacant should negotiations with the Progressives not be concluded by the time the new Government is formed. With regard to Deputy Ministers, Mapai is believed to be opposed to continuing the system by which Deputy Ministers were drawn from some party other than the Minister's own, to act as watch-dogs.

U.N. Vote for PCC Seen Meaningless

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — The General Assembly last night approved without discussion the report of its Special Political Committee to extend the life of the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees for three years and to reactivate the Palestine Conciliation Commission.

The vote was 81 in favour and none against, with Israel abstaining.

Delegates spent only about six or seven minutes on the question, taking the vote by a quick show of hands, and afterwards hearing a brief explanation of his abstention by the Israel delegate, Mr. Michael Comay.

Mr. Comay said he wanted to reaffirm that the paragraph in the resolution calling for the reactivation of the PCC was unacceptable to Israel. He said the fact that 17 other delegations did not support this proposal in the Committee stage indicated that there were "widespread misgivings" about it.

Mr. Comay said Israel supported the sections of the resolution concerning UNRWA and the extension of its mandate, and his abstention did not imply any reservation on these provisions.

The attempt to reactivate the long-dormant PCC is regarded here as being doomed to complete failure.

Despite the near-unanimous vote, diplomats point out that the Commission has been dogged by failure for its first 11 years and is not likely to be successful now.

Israelis noted that the resolution has been described as a "compromise." "But it is not a compromise between the Arabs and Israel," they added.

The revival of the Commission was actually suggested first by Ahmad Shukairy, Saudi Arabia's chief delegate, when he opened the debate on the refugees last month.

Israel sources said yesterday that Shukairy's speech then was "largely an exercise in rhetoric. There is not a single refugee in Saudi Arabia, so it was relatively easy for him."

U.S. Surprised By Abstentions

By JESSE ZEL LURIE.
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS. — The American delegation yesterday found itself with a child by an Arab mother, and it was doing its best to deny paternity.

Americans were somewhat taken aback by the number, prominence and geographical distribution of 17 delegates that abstained on Tuesday on the P.C.C. paragraph of the resolution extending the life of UNRWA.

In addition, there were others who agreed this was a backward step, but felt they could not oppose the U.S., which pays 70 per cent of UNRWA's expenses. Among the latter were Britain and France, who voted for the resolution, while among the abstainers were Canada which voiced the abstainers' objections when it said that reviving the P.C.C. did not "represent the best means of fostering a lasting solution."

Gimmick for Congress

At an American press briefing, representatives of several leading newspapers wanted to know what there was in the resolution which promised progress towards a solution. One reporter suggested that "it was a gimmick designed to pull wool over the eyes of the Congressional Appropriations Committees which were tired of pouring money down a rathole, and it wouldn't work."

The U.S. spokesman would only say this was an Arab resolution, although the U.S. had told the Arabs what they would like to see included. The Arabs had accepted some suggestions and rejected others. The U.S. hoped that as a result of the Arabs cooperating in the implementation of the resolution "the refugees would have a better life, and a small glacial move towards an ultimate solution would have been taken."

The U.S. spokesman said Israel had been consulted throughout the negotiations with the Arabs, but admitted Israel had not agreed to the resolution.

North Sea Gales Claim Many Lives

LONDON (UPI). — The worst North Sea storm of the season took a growing toll of men and ships yesterday as gales and mountainous seas pounded international shipping lanes.

The 1,719-ton Norwegian freighter, Elfrida, overturned with the loss of all 21 hands west of Norway early in the morning, after a dramatic radio message: "We are going down..."

This brought the death toll to more than one hundred in the four-day storm.

Other freighters were in trouble or missing in the hazardous North Sea. The 700-ton Norwegian vessel, the Grete Solheim, has been missing since Saturday. A Norwegian trawler, Ertnan (290 tons), called for immediate assistance, while there were growing fears that the crew of a German freighter, the Merkus, had perished.

A Swedish radio station alerted Soviet rescue authorities after a 600-ton Dutch freighter, the Frean, radioed it was going down with nine men aboard, three kms. off the Latvian coast in the Eastern Baltic. The ship reported it was covered with ice from the harsh northern winter and foundering slowly in heavy seas with a 45 degree list.

Three people have died in a five-day snow-storm sweeping across southern Sweden.

Most of Warsaw was without water as the shallow Vistula River threatened to freeze solid. Sub-zero winds drove snow-flurries across the Polish plain and five storm deaths were reported.

U.N. URGES TALKS ON S. AFRICA'S INDIANS

UNITED NATIONS, (Reuter). — The General Assembly's Special Political Committee yesterday renewed its appeal to South Africa to negotiate with India and Pakistan on the question of the treatment of people of Indian origin in South Africa.

A resolution containing the appeal was adopted by 58 to none with 10 abstentions.

US Vets Hit Arab Ban On Jewish Troops

WASHINGTON (UPI).—The American Veterans Committee complained on Wednesday in a letter to Secretary of State Herter that the U.S. was "bowing in abject humiliation" to certain foreign governments by agreeing not to station Jewish soldiers on their territory.

The reference is particularly to Saudi Arabia.

GERMAN TIRE PLANT IN AKABA MOOTED

Jordan and West Germany are negotiating for the establishment of a tire factory at Akaba, at a cost of about 1m. dinars, ANA reported yesterday.

Crown Prince Mohammed of Jordan will today declare open the new port installations at Akaba, Amman radio reported yesterday.

20 Mexicans Die As Bus Falls into Ravine

MEXICO CITY (Reuter). — Twenty people were killed and 20 others injured when a passenger bus plunged into a ravine near the Cacahuamilpa caves, about 100 kms. south of Mexico City, according to press reports.

11 KILLED IN TRAM CRASH IN DRESDEN

BERLIN (UPI). — Eleven persons were killed and several more injured when a crowded tram left its tracks on turning a corner and rammed into a concrete post in the East German town of Dresden yesterday.

Armed Convicts Spread Terror In U.S. South

IVY BLUFF, North Carolina (Reuter). — Bloodhounds, planes and hundreds of heavily-armed police swept over miles of countryside yesterday in one of America's biggest manhunts for 19 desperate, armed convicts terrorizing the area.

More than 24 hours after the daring escape by 20 convicts from the state prison here—North Carolina's "Alcatraz" — only one had been caught. The remainder, armed with machineguns, rifles and pistols, were roaming the countryside.

Four desperadoes who claimed to be among the jailbreakers burst into a house in Memphis, Tennessee — a day's hard driving from here —early in the morning. They bound and gagged a middle-aged couple to their beds and raped the woman, a 53-year-old grandmother.

Miles away to the north, three more convicts broke into a house in Buchanan, Virginia, terrorized a wife at gunpoint and then forced her husband to drive them to Roanoke, 25 miles off.

At least four of the escaped desperadoes are convicted killers, and several others are rapists and kidnappers. They were gone for four hours before the alarm was raised. Two warders have been sacked.

MASKED MEN STEAL DYNAMITE IN CYPRUS

NICOSIA (Reuter). — A group of masked men raided an explosives store belonging to a mining company in southern Cyprus on Tuesday night and stole 200 sticks of dynamite, an official spokesman said.

Congo Warriors Swoop On Rival Tribesmen

LULUABOURG, Belgian Congo (Reuter). — Lulua warriors, their faces covered with war paint, and armed with spears and bows and arrows, yesterday attacked the Baluba village of Malu-Malu near here, killing one and wounding three.

Before the Belgian-officered territorial army, which at present occupies the region, could intervene, the Lulua had set fire to huts and attacked the population of some 150 Baluba.

The death toll in the intermittent Lulua-Baluba tribal war, which flared up over the weekend, is now officially set at 16.

Jakarta Army Bans Communist Paper

JAKARTA (UPI). — The Indonesian Army on Tuesday clamped an indefinite ban on the Communist Party's official organ, the "Harian Rakjat" newspaper.

A military spokesman said the ban, effective from yesterday, was imposed as a result of the paper's publication of a speech by a top party leader critical of the Government's ban on alien retailers in rural areas.

A few days ago, the Army summoned Deputy Party Chairman Njoto for questioning in connection with his speech. Njoto had accused the U.S. of sending agents to Indonesia, for fomenting anti-Chinese sentiments.

COLOMBIA PLANE LOST WITH 46 ABROAD

BOGOTA (UPI). — A Colombian plane carrying 46 persons was feared lost in the Atlantic yesterday on a flight to Cartagena, North Colombia, from the resort island of San Andres.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The U.N. General Assembly, by a 53-10 vote, with 17 abstentions, yesterday approved a resolution deploring Russia's refusal to get its troops out of Hungary and permit free elections. The Soviet Bloc and Yugoslavia opposed the resolution, which was sponsored by the U.S. and 23 other Western countries. Israel and Finland joined 15 members of the Afro-Asian bloc in abstaining.

Arab Water-Pipe Dream To Block River Jordan Plan

Abdul Nasser's personal adviser on "Palestine affairs," Mahmoud Riyad, has left Damascus for Cairo to report on counter-measures aimed at sabotaging Israel's Jordan River water project, ANA reports.

Since this scheme would require an enormous amount of capital, the experts' committee proposes that all Arab states contribute towards it, and that funds should be sought among émigré Arab communities.

Riyad is a member of the U.A.R. committee of experts set up to examine the issue and which has been holding consultations in Syria.

According to the Beirut daily "Al-Anwar," the plan which Riyad has taken with him to Cairo comprises two stages:

1) the diversion of all waters flowing into the River Jordan before it enters Israel territory, and the diversion of the upper Litani and Hasbani rivers into the Mediterranean near Tyre. The Yarmuk and Banias are also to be diverted so as to prevent their waters from entering the Jordan.

2) the building of "huge aquaducts" to divert permanently all waters which flow through southern Lebanon into the Jordan. This would entail the "splitting of several mountains," the Beirut report said.

idea of regarding them as "Arab waters" is considered anti-Israel bluster.

It should also be noted that it would be extremely difficult from the engineering point of view to prevent the water of the Hasbani spring from servicing down into Israel.

Israel is determined to go ahead with the project for harnessing part of the Jordan waters for her central irrigation scheme. Any interference would be met by counter-measures.

Negotiations in Washington for obtaining $12m. in U.S. aid to help finance Israel's Jordan River project are nearing their final stages, following talks by Mr. Aharon Wiener, of the Tahal management, with senior U.S. Government officials.

It is believed that the new Arab propaganda move is partly aimed at obstructing the successful conclusion of these negotiations.

The Israel water project envisages the tapping of part of the Jordan waters at a point near where they enter Lake Kinneret, which is entirely within Israel territory.

Syria has hitherto been the main opponent of Israel's Jordan River project, and it is believed that Nasser has now adopted the idea, to divert attention from the economic difficulties and dissention he faces in the northern province of the U.A.R. It is also regarded as a move to foster Arab solidarity, since the Suez issue has by now lost something of its force.

PATENTLY ABSURD

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes:

Cairo's threat to divert the sources of the Jordan River, thus sabotaging Israel's main water artery, merely was termed by political quarters in Jerusalem yesterday as purely a propaganda move. The absurdity of the Arab "plan" is patent, they said.

The Jordan waters, deriving from springs both sides of Israel's northern border, are of virtually no value to either Syria or Lebanon, and the

French Army Hits Rebel Strongholds

ALGIERS (Reuter).— French troops have launched a new offensive in East Algeria to clear some of the strongest insurgent pockets in the country, military sources said here yesterday.

Twelve-thousand parachutists, legionnaires and sharpshooters are being supported in the operation by 2,000 reserve troops. The operation began early last month, but first news of it has only just been released.

The French military command reports that so far 560 insurgents had been "put out of action," including 128 taken prisoner.

An estimated 3,000 insurgents are in the area west of Philippeville, and the spearhead of the French attack is planned to cut through the rugged mountainous region bounded by the towns Collo, Djidjelli and el Milia.

The action is also designed to bring French forces into contact with the local population, and troops have been distributing food and clothing captured from the insurgents.

The French military command in Algiers also reported that a strong insurgent band coming from Morocco had tried unsuccessfully to break through the electrified barrier which runs along the Algeria-Morocco frontier.

De Gaulle Leaves For French Community Talks

PARIS (Reuter). — President de Gaulle was due to leave by air late last night for Saint Louis, in the West African republic of Senegal, to preside over the Executive of the French Community which groups together France, Madagascar and 11 autonomous African republics.

Officially the business over which General de Gaulle will preside at Saint Louis on December 11 and 12 will make no mention of aspirations for independence. But the proceedings will be dominated by the recently formulated demand by "Mali" — the federation of Senegal and the Sudanese Republic — for independence "inside the Community."

U.K. Envoy to Cairo Is Accredited

CAIRO (Reuter). — Diplomatic relations between London and Cairo were formally resumed here on Wednesday when Mr. Colin Crowe, newly-appointed British Chargé d'Affaires, presented his letters of credence to U.A.R. Deputy Foreign Minister Hussein Zulficar Sabry.

The Swiss Embassy has been looking after British interests here since the two countries broke off diplomatic relations at the time of the 1956 Suez crisis.

America Prefers Six To Seven in Europe

LONDON (Reuter). — Mr. Douglas Dillon, U.S. Under-Secretary of State, conferred yesterday with Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, at the end of his talks here on European and world economics.

A British spokesman said Mr. Dillon's discussions with British Ministers on dollar discrimination, aid to underdeveloped countries and European trade blocs had been "useful."

Mr. Dillon has told the Britons that America does not oppose the formation of the Outer Seven trading group, set up at Stockholm on November 20, a usually reliable source said.

However, he was understood to have added that the U.S. did not greet it with the same amount of enthusiasm as it did the six-nation Common Market.

Sources said that, on aid to under-developed countries, the discussion was reported to have been exploratory, and agreement was reached on what should not be done rather than on anything specific that should be done.

Both sides were stated to feel that the West should not give aid in such a manner that the recipient countries believed they were being pushed into Western military blocs or being made to gang up against the Soviet Union.

Delhi Gives Eisenhower Tumultuous Welcome

Afghan Migs Patrol As Ike Visits Kabul

KABUL, Afghanistan. — President Eisenhower landed yesterday in this winter-bound mountain nation at Russia's back door on an airfield patrolled by MIG jets of the Soviet-equipped Afghan air force.

King Zahir and other Afghan and foreign officials were waiting to greet Mr. Eisenhower as six Russian-made MIG-17s circled overhead, providing ceremonial air cover.

President Eisenhower travelled the 60 kms. from the airfield to the capital, Kabul, by car. Five hours later, he returned by helicopter to take off for India.

In a joint communique issued after their talks, Mr. Eisenhower and King Zahir said they would work ceaselessly to eliminate all international difficulties and tensions.

President Eisenhower assured the King that the U.S. would continue to give Afghanistan assistance to strengthen herself economically and socially. The King explained to the American President his country's policy of independence and neutrality.

(UPI, Reuter)

Russian Moslems Urge Fellows to Seek Peace

LONDON, (Reuter). — The fifth religious conference of Moslems of the Soviet Transcaucasian Republics, meeting in Baku, has called on Moslems everywhere to support disarmament, Moscow Radio reported yesterday in an Arabic language broadcast.

A message to Moslems all over the world, signed by leading Russian Moslems, said: "The very existence of the Moslem peoples would be threatened by atomic war."

In the event of a new war, all the countries of the East, including Mecca and other holy cities, would be exposed to danger, Moscow Radio added.

"The Soviet proposals for universal disarmament answer the dreams and aspirations of the peoples of the world. They meet the spirit and text of the Holy Koran."

The message continued: "We urge Moslem men of religion to raise their voice in support of peace and to disseminate the spirit of love for peace among their followers. We urge all Moslems to support the demand for complete and universal disarmament."

Dag on Human Rights

UNITED NATIONS, (Reuter). — Mr. Hammarskjold said yesterday that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was "an impelling expression of man's faith in the inherent dignity of man and of his aspiration to live in a world of peace, order and freedom."

His message was issued on the eve of Human Rights Day, today.

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s.s. Israel Sailing From N.Y. Today

NEW YORK (INA). — The Zim liner, s.s. Israel, which was damaged in a collision in New York Harbour on October 29, will sail for Haifa today (Thursday) with 200 passengers. She resumes her regular trans-atlantic service after having missed one round trip.

Greeting 'Prince of Peace'

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — A crowd estimated at some 800,000 gave President Eisenhower a tumultuous welcome when he arrived here yesterday by air for a five-day visit to India—the high point so far of his Asian tour.

Ten thousand persons packed the airport as the American President was warmly greeted by President Rajendra Prasad, Vice-President Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan and Premier Nehru.

The President flew here after talks with Pakistani leaders in Karachi, making a brief stop at Kabul on the way (see adjoining column.)

The 150-member guard of honour which he inspected, turned to follow him with their gaze, instead of looking straight ahead — an innovation on the orders of Mr. Nehru after his visit to Moscow in 1955 when he was impressed by the drill of Soviet honour guards.

In an airport statement, Mr. Eisenhower said India had won her freedom and independence through peaceful means and was determined to live in peace. She had devoted her entire efforts to giving her people a better life, and these efforts would succeed. He added: "The leaders of the U.S. stand with the leaders of India, and the people of the U.S. stand with the people of India."

Successful Statesman

President Prasad said Mr. Eisenhower was a man who had been a great soldier and an even more successful statesman who was now roving the world in search of peace. "We hope he may succeed in his high endeavour."

After the speeches of welcome, President Eisenhower was driven into Delhi through a route lined with the largest crowd ever seen here. Since early morning villagers had poured into the capital by bullock cart and camel cart. The streets were gay with the most beautiful decorations ever put up here for a political visitor. Banners read: "Welcome Ike—Prince of Peace."

There were scenes of wild enthusiasm and, despite the exertions of the police, it proved impossible to keep crowds back. Soon there was only a narrow lane through which the entourage could pass. Mr. Nehru himself helped to push people away when the path was blocked and continually appealed to them to stand back.

For the last mile of the journey three or four security men sat on the back of the Presidential car.

Mr. Eisenhower was pelted with flower petals the whole way, and when he got out of his car at the President's house, the floor was ankle-deep in petals.

Mr. Jim Rowley, head of White House security details, said that the Indian security chief told him the crowd which welcomed Mr. Nikita Khrushchev and Mr. Nikolai Bulganin to New Delhi in 1955 was only a quarter the size of yesterday's.

The Pakistan President, General Mohammed Ayub Khan, said yesterday he believed President Eisenhower had accomplished his mission in Pakistan. In a recorded interview at Mauripur Airfield before Mr. Eisenhower's departure for Kabul, President Ayub told a Voice of America correspondent: "We are friends in free discussion and I think, in essentials, we have the same views."

Nehru Says Asia Fulcrum of Conflict

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Mr. Nehru said on Wednesday the centre of gravity of the world conflict had shifted from Europe to Asia, where two great countries, India and China, were facing each other for the first time "in anger."

He was replying to a Council of States (Upper House) debate on Sino-Indian relations.

Referring to the arrival of President Eisenhower, Mr. Nehru said India welcomed him particularly at this time, not because of her border troubles, but because he was trying to achieve peace in the world, in spite of great difficulties.

Mr. Nehru said India did not need military aid from abroad — or at least only in small measure. "Stout men," not machines, were needed to defend the mountainous areas.

The Council of States gave the Prime Minister an unanimous vote of confidence in his foreign policy after the two-day debate.

China Lashes Ike's Trip; No Comment from Russia

The Soviet press and radio have been giving brief but unvarnished reports of President Eisenhower's current tour, but Peking yesterday alleged that the visits were motivated by "aggressive" intentions.

Soviet papers have been carrying short Tass reports of Mr. Eisenhower's tour on inside pages, but without any accompanying comment.

Communist China's official news agency, however, charged yesterday that the U.S. is using the President's tour to tighten its control over the Central Treaty Organization (Cento) nations so it could establish more missile bases on their territory.

The agency, in a long commentary, noted that Mr. Eisenhower would visit all the Asian nations of Cento, and added: "The U.S. has been doing its utmost to hold this tottering Western military system of aggression together." *(UPI)*

Nenni in Belgrade

BELGRADE (Reuter). — Mr. Pietro Nenni, Secretary-General of the left-wing Italian Socialist Party, arrived in Belgrade on Wednesday for talks with Yugoslav officials.

Observers said that the visit, his first to Yugoslavia, signifies a new effort by the Tito Government to improve ties with Socialist and other non-Communist groups in Western Europe.

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Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi on Tuesday night held a reception at Beit Hanassi in honour of Mr. Zalman Shazar, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, on the occasion of his 70th birthday. Among those who spoke were Mr. and Mrs. Ben-Zvi, the Minister for Social Welfare, Mr. P. Naphtali; and Messrs. M. Sharett and B. Azania, M.K.s, B. Zuckerman, B. Locker, Y. Zerubavel, B. Karu and Y. Maor.

A luncheon in honour of the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, was given yesterday at the Hebrew University by the President, Prof. B. Mazar.

The Foreign Ministry on Tuesday gave a reception at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem in honour of the visiting delegation of French industrialists. Among those present were the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir; the Director-General of the Finance Ministry, Dr. Y. Arnon; the Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Michael Tsour; the Assistant Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Maurice Fischer, and other senior Government officials.

The Alice Seligsberg Vocational High School in Jerusalem on Wednesday entertained to luncheon the Canadian Ambassador, Miss B. Margaret Meagher; the Chargé d'Affaires of Guatemala, Miss Francesca Fernandez Hall; Mrs. Osten Lundborg, wife of the Swedish Ambassador and Miss Lundborg; Mrs. J.Q. Bas Backer, wife of the Netherlands Ambassador; Mrs. R. Garcia Arias, wife of the Argentine Ambassador; Mrs. Francis Hancock, wife of the British Ambassador; Mrs. Pedru Manu, wife of the Rumanian Minister; Mrs. A. Bida, wife of the Polish Minister; and the Executive of the Hadassah Council in Israel. Mrs. Simi Olshan, the Chairman of the School, and Mrs. Helen Kittner, the Principal, were the hostesses.

The Economic Forum of the Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Civil Education Services, on Wednesday night gave a dinner at the Kings Hotel in Jerusalem in honour of Mr. Eliahu Elath, former Ambassador to the U.K.

Dr. G. De Logu, Director of the Academy of Fine Arts in Venice, will lecture on "The Synthesis of Venetian Culture" (with slides) at Hall 12 of the Technion, Hadar Hacarmel, at 9 p.m. tonight.

Dr. Leo Bornstein will address today's luncheon meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club on "Plastic Surgery in Modern Society."

CURRENCY IN circulation rose by IL4,962,349 during the week ending Tuesday, the Bank of Israel reported yesterday. Foreign currency reserves rose by IL207,756 and treasury bills and Government promissory notes by IL4,767,000. Gold reserves declined by IL12,407.

LYDDA FLIGHTS

THURSDAY

ARRIVALS: El Al 102, from Johannesburg, Leopoldville and Kano — 0635. B.O.A.C. 303, from Teheran — 1345. Air France 139, from Teheran — 1545. El Al 410, from Istanbul — 1615. El Al 304, from Nicosia — 2040. B.E.A. 128, from London, Zurich and Athens — 2100. El Al 206, from New York, London Paris and Rome — 2130. Air France 132, from Paris, Rome and Athens — 2200. Alitalia 450, from Rome — 2225. T.W.A. 802, from New York, Paris, Zurich, Milan, Rome and Athens—2345. Olympic 614, from Athens and Nicosia — 0050. El Al 426, from Amsterdam, Zurich and Athens — 0140.

DEPARTURES: Swissair 331, to Athens and Zurich — 0700. El Al 425, to Zurich and Amsterdam — 0800. Cyprus Airways 33, to Nicosia, Ankara, Istanbul, Rome and London — 0825. El Al 409, to Istanbul — 0900. B.E.A. 127, to Athens, Rome and London — 0930. Sabena 538, to Athens, Vienna and Brussels — 0945. K.L.M. 526, to Rome and Amsterdam — 1245. B.O.A.C. 303, to Geneva and London — 1345. Air France 139, to Rome and Paris — 1645. El Al 303, to Nicosia — 1730.

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Nazi Military Lost 4 Million Men

GOETTINGEN, Germany (UPI). — A history professor said today it is certain that more than four million servicemen were killed in Germany during World War II, but that the full toll probably will never be known.

Prof. Percey E. Schramm who made off with the diary of the German General Staff at the end of the war, said it lists 3,913,403 soldiers, sailors and airmen dead or missing. He estimated that about 500,000 civilians in Germany died as a result of Allied action.

"The losses among those in the Jewish extermination camps among the 10 million refugees in the forced labour camps, and among those who were forced to work outside the camps are still unknown," Prof. Schramm said. "The fate of millions of people is still cloaked in darkness."

He plans to publish the Staff diary, probably sometime in 1961, but added that "it won't cause any sensations — most of those have already been published." He said he kept up the dairy from 1943 to 1945.

Four Months' Jail For Jewish Swine Remark

KASSEL, West Germany (Reuter). — A 47-year-old businessman, Theodor Schmolke, was sentenced to four months in jail here on Tuesday for saying in front of employees at his farm that far too few "Jewish swine" had been killed off by the Nazis.

Schmolke denied making the remark.

Smell It While You See It

NEW YORK (Reuter).—The era of smelling films opened here last night when "Behind the Great Wall" loosed "the spices and scents of far-off China" on its world premiere audience at a Broadway theatre.

Advertised as "The Third Wonder of the Entertainment World," the film was shown to the accompaniment of various scents, released to the audience by what is called the "Aromarama" process.

"You must breathe it to believe it," they were told. Among the promised smells were: "All the lotus-like frangrances of far-off China"; "The breath of the East"; "The richness of Far-East cookery," and "The incense of Buddhist temples".

This marked the first shot in a new battle of the screen. Mike Todd, Jr., son of the late famous showman, has been making his own production, "Scent of Danger," in "Smell-o-Vision" in Spain this year. It will be shown soon in Chicago, and requires a specially-equipped theatre.

The distributors of "Behind the Great Wall," which is a documentary of life in China today, beat Mr. Todd to the screen by adding the scents to a picture made in the normal way.

Mapai-Religious Rule In Kiryat Gat

ASHKELON. — Mapai and the National Religious Party in Kiryat Gat have signed a coalition agreement retaining the former head of the appointed Local Council, Mr. Gideon Naor, as Chairman of the new Council. Between them, the two parties control seven of the nine Council seats (Mapai five). The two Councillors of the National Sephardi Party are in opposition. (Itim)

VISITORS' GALLERY: Sam Waagenaar

Focus on Women

Israel's women probably suffer less from inequality than their sisters in most other countries. But next year they will really come into their own, with the publication of a book of photographs—"The Women of Israel"—by the Dutch firm of Bruna and Son of Utrecht.

SAM WAAGENAAR

The man who is preparing the 112 photographs and text for the volume, Mr. Sam Waagenaar, is now in Israel. He has brought along two cameras, an eager eye, years of experience, patience and charm, for the task. He arrived on November 2, and expects to stay another month or two to take more than 3,000 photographs from which the lucky 112 will be picked.

He has already published three successful photo books — "The Countries of the Red Sea," "Asia," and "The Children of the World." A fourth, "The Women of Rome," is to be published in the spring. He travelled through 72 countries, over 11 years, to gather material for the children's album.

When he had finished "shooting" the women of Rome, Waagenaar and his publisher looked around for a new subject. "We decided on Israel because we expected that here we would find the greatest variety of women in the world. There was also a commercial reason; we felt sure that Israel women would find a very large market, especially in Holland."

Just Exquisite

During his first month here, Waagenaar was "not only not disappointed, but ten times more enthusiastic. "The country's wonderful and so are the people and the things done. In my field, women, why, they're just exquisite. The easiest thing in the world is to photograph beautiful women in Israel. There are so many, and they all want to be photographed, and, no less important, they don't need half a day at the beauty parlour first."

Waagenaar is not after "cheese-cake." "I photograph all women from 14 years up."

His purpose is "to put into the book an impression of Israel as seen through its women. It won't be a portrait gallery, but a big female portrait of Israel." He is therefore shooting women in all walks of life, starting with Mrs. Golda Meir.

He already has dozens of shots of women on the beach, taken on election day, the day after he arrived. It was a holiday, and warm, and about the last day of the season for bathing costumes. He has Arab women working in the fields; students at the Hebrew University, Professor Rahel Shalon at the Technion; actresses; girl soldiers with sub-machine-guns or nostalgically admiring fashion displays in Tel Aviv shop windows; women in Meah Shearim (contrary to warnings he found no difficulty in photographing there) a Yemenite bride and Druse women, these being the most difficult achievement.

"I am not interested in girls at a typewriter or in a factory. You see those everywhere. But I have shot girls packing citrus; that is an expression of Israel," he explains.

No Appointments

Waagenaar, a youthful 51, uses a Leica with a Japanese lens and a Rolleflex, but no flash, not even for night shots.

He does not work through appointments, as "everybody has a sister or a niece who is the most beautiful girl in Israel. I would spend months seeing them all and going through the motions of photographing them to avert their wrath." He takes his cameras out into the streets and the cafes, the kibbutzim and the development towns, the markets and labour exchange, and when he finds a suitable subject, persuades her to be "shot." He seldom fails. "It takes infinite patience and a knack you acquire," he smiles.

One of the most strikingly beautiful girls he has "ever seen," he found and photographed at the H.U. She was a Polish immigrant, two years here.

Waagenaar was struck by "the practically total absence of displayed affection in the daytime, between men and women in Israel. I have hardly seen a couple walking hand-in-hand in the daytime, and never seen kissing in the street."

Born in Holland, Waagenaar moved to the U.S. 30 years ago and considers himself an American, although for the past years he has made his H.Q. in Rome.

He has been a publicity man for MGM of Hollywood, a news correspondent, a script writer and documentary film producer.

Although he photographs so many women, Waagenaar is unmarried.

YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

Nazareth Businessmen Welcome New Bank

NAZARETH. — Local Arab businessmen yesterday welcomed the establishment of an Arab Bank of Israel and expressed their readiness to invest capital through it. They hope that it will spur the development of the town. This will be the fifth bank in Nazareth.

Renault Says Cairo Reports 'Premature'

PARIS (INA). — A Regie Renault spokesman here described as "altogether premature" reports emanating from Cairo that the French firm would establish a production chain in the U.A.R.

While making no secret of the fact that a three-man Renault delegation has been in Cairo for more than a week for discussions with U.A.R. officials, the Renault spokesman said here it was much too early to say what kind of an agreement, if any, might be reached between Renault and the U.A.R.

He added that his company was by no means the only one now seeking U.A.R. business.

Maker of Noble Cars Coming Here

LONDON (INA). — A British car manufacturer, Mr. York Nobel, is due to leave next week for Israel, where he will negotiate for the assembly of his cars in an Israel plant.

Mr. Nobel met in London with Mr. Ephraim Illin, managing director of the Kaiser-Frazer plant, in Haifa, and discussed possibilities of assembling the "Nobel 200" at the K-F factory in Haifa.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

3.30, 6.45, 8.45.

ARNON: Quartier interdit.
EDEN: The Decks Ran Red.
ORION: Khad el Gamil.
OR-GIL: La femme et le pantin.
ORNA: It Happened to Jane.
RON: The Brothers Rico.
SEMADAR: A Certain Smile.
ZION: Tempest.
TEL OR: Retour de Manivelle.
EDISON: Wenn du noch eine Mutter hast.
STUDIO: April in Paris.

TEL AVIV

3.30, 7.15, 9.15.

ALLENBY: Le long des trottoirs.
ARMON DAVID: The Nun's Story.
CHEN: Room at the Top.
EDEN: Sharada.
ESTHER: For the First Time.
GAT: Montmartre Nights.
HOD: Homeland Above All.
MAXIM: Navy Wife.
MIGDALOR: Across the Bridge.
MOGRABI: En cas de malheur (Love is My Profession).
OPHIR: Les dragueurs.
ORION: Femmes faibles.
PEER: Night of a Quarter Moon.
SHDEROTH: A Streetcar Named Desire.
TAMAR: Little Red Monkey.
TCHELET: Ivan the Terrible.
YARON: Imitation of Life.
ZAFON: The Riksha-Man.
ZAMIR: The Vikings.

HAIFA

4, 6.45, 9.

ORION: Deserter.
ATZMON: Cat on a Hot Tin Roof.
MIRON: Drei Männer im Schnee. (Three Men in the Snow).
ORAH: Les tricheurs (The Cheats).
AMPHITHEATRE: The Blue Angel.
TAMAR: The Story of Dr. Wassel.
GAL OR: Five Against the House.
PEER: Anatomy of a Murder.
ARMON: This Land is Mine.
EN DOR: At Gun Point.
ORLY: Another Time, Another Place.
MORIAH: Until They Sail.
MAY: Tempest.

RAMAT GAN

RAMAT GAN: The Captain's Table. 7.15, 9.15.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
522, 356.4 & 249 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.

English: 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Adam: Overture "Si j'etais roi"; Paganini-Kreisler: Concerto in One Movement for Violin and Orchestra; Svere Jordan: Suite in Ancient Style (Conductor: Heinz Freudenthal); d'Indy: Symphonic Variations. 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.30 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 Claude Debussy: (1) String Quartet, opus 10, (2) Arabesque No. 1. 1.45 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Foreign Language Programme. 5.05 Request Programme for Oriental Music. 5.35 Mishna Lesson. 5.45 Children's Corner. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Popular Songs and Melodies. 7.20 Hebrew Songs. 7.45 Daily Hebrew. 7.50 Sports. 7.59 Announcements on Kol Yisrael Programmes. 8.00 Programme ed. by Y. Arieh & A. Rappaport — young conductors from the U.S. 8.50 Bible Reading: Shmuel II, Chaps. 19 & 20. 9.10 Political Commentary. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 "Each & Every Voice" — ed. by Peter Frye & Y. Targuin. 10.05 The Week at the Knesset. 10.30 A Glimpse at Israel. 10.35 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
460, 422.5, 292 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.45 Mif'al Hapayis Drawing. 6.15 Hebrew-French Lesson. 6.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 6.45 Polish. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 The String Quartets from Haydn to Mendelssohn: Schubert: Quartet in E-flat major, opus 125, played by the Amadeus Quartet. 8.40 Recordings from the International Festival of Contemporary Music in Warsaw, 1959 (Programme No. 1). Grazyna Bacewiczowna: Music for Strings, Trumpets and Percussion, performed by the Polish Radio Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Jan Krenz. 9.00 Ladino. 9.30 Hungarian. 9.45 Rumanian. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
407 & 41.7 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m. 1.15-2.15 and 5.30-11.15 p.m.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (33.3 M.): **Programme to the U.K.:** 10.30 News. 10.40 "Editorial Opinion." 10.50 Easy Hebrew conversation.

Programme to South Africa: 6.15 News. 6.25 Editorial Opinion. 6.35 Afrikaans Programme.

ARMY PROGRAMME (216, 252 and 285 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.03 Request Programme. 6.40 Songs. 6.58 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 "Bow & Arrow." 7.40 Intermezzo. 8.00 "Army's Diary." 8.10 "Vis-a-Vis." 8.30 Light Music Quiz. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Merry Rhythm." 9.30 "Please Meet"—I. Berlin. 10.00 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (30.26, 25.12, 19.76, 19.46 & 16.86 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Comment. Actualities.

MUSIC U.S.A. (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America: 9.00-11.00 p.m. Light Music & Jazz.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 496 M.): News: 7.30 a.m., 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m.

7.45 a.m. The Coco Cola Programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.30 Popular Light Orchestra. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Emergency. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 Felix King. 10.30 B.B.C. Bandstand. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Teller of Tales. 12.00 Midday Melodies. 2.15 p.m. The Name is Shane. 2.30 "Yours Sincerely." 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.45 Strange Stories of the Sea. 10.00 Vanished Without Trace. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Danger Point.

Where to go

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JERUSALEM

• **Tours:**—
Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour, starting 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

Hebrew University: Conducted tour in English, at 12 noon, daily, New University Campus.

• **Exhibitions:** —
Artists' House: 10-1; 4-6. The Hebrew University Secondary School and the Artists' House present an exhibition of students' paintings: "Education Through Art." Students' instructor: Mr. Yona Mach. Patronage of Mrs. Charles Hymes, President National Council of Jewish Women in the U.S.A.

Safrai Art Gallery, 27 Jaffa Rd., Tel. 63737 Est. 1935 Jerusalem's oldest art gallery. Paintings by Haya Sapir, graduate Youth Aliya. Come in and browse around, 8-1, 3-7. Friday, 8-2. All purchases mailed upon request.

Department of Antiquities, 35 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Special exhibitions: Tel Gath excavations Chalcolithic ossuaries from Asor. Also permanent exhibition, 9-1, 3-5.

• **Bezalel National Museum:**—
Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art, Archaeological objects, Primitive Art. Exhibition of "Contemporary British Printmakers" on loan from St. George's Gallery. Exhibition of water-colours, gouaches and drawings by Israel Artist Shoshana Finkelstein. Exhibitions of "Landscape Etchings of the 17th Century" and "Italian Paintings of the 20th Century." 9-1, 3.30-6.

• **Zoo:**—
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo. 9-6.

TEL AVIV

• **Yiddish Comedy:** —
Dzigan & Szumacher: "S'bleibt Beim Alten," Old Mograbi Hall, tonight.

• **Theatre:**—
The Jewish State Theatre in Poland, under the direction of Ida Kaminska, presents: "Professor Mamlock," Ohel Shem, 6.15, 9.15.

Habimah: "Visit of the Old Lady," 8.30.

Cameri: "A Doll's House," 8.30.

• **Dine and Dance:**—
Delphin Bar, 16 Sholem Aleichem. Exquisite cuisine. Lunch daily at 12 noon. Dancing nightly. Recommended to Tourists. Tel. 23973.

Cafe Noga. Concert: Mandelbaum Orchestra, Jacomo Villa, Vocalist. 5-7, 8-12.

Adria Night Club, 101 Dizengoff—in passage. Sensational French Vocalist Dany Doberson. Dancing. Tel. 51349.

• **Tourist Service:** —
Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239.
Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26825, 8 a.m.—2 p.m.

• **Zoological Gardens:** —
Open 8 a.m. — 6 p.m. daily.

• **Exhibitions:** —
Iledo's watercolour drawings from Asian countries. "97" Gallery, 97 Rehov Ben Yehuda. 9-1; 4-7.

UNESCO Exhibition of Watercolours. Beit Dizengoff. 10-1, 4-7. Coptic Textiles and Portraits of Egyptian Mummies. Helena Rubinstein Pavilion. 10-1; 4-7.

Ancient Glass Exhibition, Museum Ha'aretz, near Ramat Aviv. 10-5.

Paintings by Barezinska-Neumann. Artists Pavilion, 9 Alharizi. 10-1, 4-7.

• **ZOA House:**—
Violoncello and Piano Recital by Nathan and Irene Almosnino, 8.30.

Play Reading: "The Man who came to Dinner."
Tourist Service, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

HAIFA

• **Theatre:**—
Ohel: "Hotel Paradiso," Armon, 9.

Exhibitions:—
Drawings and paintings made in Ghettos and Camps. Artists' House, 34 UNO Avenue. 10-1; 4-7.

Furniture and Rugs Exhibition. Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranot, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Golden Age Club:**—
Theatrical: "Mr. Desire"—Comedy by Sacha Guitry. Tickets at the Orly, 4 p.m.

• **Tourist Centre:**—
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehalutz, Tel. 67965.

HERZLIYA

• **Theatre:**—
Cameri: "Marius," tonight.

PETAH TIKVA

• **Yiddish Musical:** —
Benzion Witler, Shifra Lerer: "Wedding in Prison," 8.45.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post
December 10, 1959

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court Of Civil Appeals

Before Justices Agranat, Berinson and Witkon

Ata Textile Co. Ltd., Appellants, v. The Haifa Income Tax Assessing Officer, Respondent (C.A. 203/59).

Legislator May Divest Citizen of Right Arising from Court Judgment

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court delivered on April 2, 1959 (in I.T.A. 6/59).

The Ata Textile Company won their appeal in the Supreme Court against the Income Tax Assessing Officer's decision that a tax payment in lieu of the compulsory loan imposed by the Compulsory Loan Law, 1953, is not a deductible expenditure for income tax purposes (C.A. 25/57, Law Report of May 20, 1958). After the Supreme Court had held that this tax payment is deductible and had ordered the assessing officer to adjust the Ata Company's income tax assessment accordingly, the Knesset passed an amendment to the Compulsory Loan Law laying down that an income tax assessment which had been based on the assumption that the tax payment in lieu of the compulsory loan is a deductible expenditure shall be corrected in accordance with the provisions of section 60A of the Compulsory Loan Law (as amended in 1958) and that any such corrections shall be subject to appeal.

Section 60A provides that the tax payment in lieu of the compulsory loan shall not be deemed to be a deductible expenditure within the meaning of section 11 of the income tax ordinance.

Following on this amendment the Haifa Assessing Officer once again reassessed the Ata Company's income tax after restoring to their taxable income the tax payment in lieu of the compulsory loan which had been deducted as a result of the above Supreme Court judgment. The Ata Company appealed against this new assessment to the Haifa District Court which dismissed their appeal. They then appealed to the Supreme Court.

Mr. K. Stanner and Mr. E. Levi appeared for the appellants and Mr. Avshalom Levi appeared for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Witkon, who delivered the Judgment of the Supreme Court, dismissed the appellants' argument that the previous Supreme Court judgment was *res judicata* and could not be set aside by an amendment of the law. The question is, he said, whether the Knesset's amendment was aimed also at the appellants' assessment after it had been corrected in obedience to the Supreme Court judgment or whether it was aimed at all assessments other than that particular one. And the answer to this question, he continued, is in the affirmative as the amending law is phrased in such broad terms that it is quite impossible to conclude that it does not apply to the appellants' income tax assessment.

The legislator, continued Justice Witkon, may clearly enact a law which deprives any person of a right vested in him by a court judgment, an assessment which has been reduced on the strength of a court judgment is therefore, just as much an "assessment" for purposes of the amending law as any other assessment and may be corrected accordingly. And as to the argument that a law should not be interpreted in such a way as to prejudice vested rights, the answer to it, he said, is that there is no way of avoiding such an interpretation in the present case. For even an assessment made by the assessing officer, on the assumption that the tax payment in lieu of the compulsory loan is a deductible expenditure, creates a vested right and there is certainly no doubt that the amending law was at least aimed at such an assessment. So that it would appear to be an express intention on the part of the legislator to ignore vested rights.

There is an opinion, continued Justice Witkon, that it is undesirable to deprive a person, of a right which has been established by a court of law after he has gone to all the trouble of fighting a legal battle, as this might discourage other citizens from pressing their claims. But while this is a sound principle insofar as fiscal administration is concerned, it cannot be allowed to influence the interpretation of a law which does not lend itself to any such construction.

The appeal should therefore be dismissed, but without costs. Judgment given on November 17, 1595.

IT'S THE LAW

MUNICIPALITIES need not publish a tender for the execution of a contract for literary or artistic work. *(Municipal Regulations Concerning Tenders).*

A POSTAL AGENCY will be opened next Tuesday in Mr. M. Mizrahi's shop at 108 Rehov Abba Hillel in Ramat Gan. The agency will handle all postal operations including Postal Bank operations.

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SHARP DROP IN EMIGRATION

A sharp decrease in emigration was recorded in November when 386 persons left Israel as compared to 745 in the same month last year, it was announced yesterday by the Ministry of the Interior.

During November, 2,746 residents went abroad and 3,490 returned (as compared to 2,822 and 2,911 last year.)

The number of tourists who entered Israel in November was 4,423 as compared to 3,088 last year. A total of 5,214 tourists left, as compared to 3,251 last year.

HEPBURN. — Film actress Audrey Hepburn and her husband, Mel Ferrer, announced in Hollywood yesterday that Miss Hepburn is expecting a baby — their first — next July.

Tel Aviv Stock Market

DECEMBER 9, 1959

Pop. Loan 1949/69	98
4% Comp. Loan 55/67	77
Pal. Bearer Bds. Ser. 3	96½
3½% Comp. Loan	64½
3½% Tavel Dollar	99½
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	106¼
Def. Loan Bonds 6½% f)	104½
4½% Def. Bonds f)	107
6½% Def Bonds g)	101
6½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	106
6½% Loc. C. Debs. g)	101½
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	391
6½% Bonds 58/65 f)	107¼
ditto g)	112½
Keren Hayesod, U.Isr.Appeal	
6½% Deb. 58/65 f)	105¼
6% Deb. 58/68 f)	104
6% Deb. 59/68 f)	102¼
ditto g)	98¾
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord sh.	149
6½% Debs. 61/68 f)	105½
Isr. Inds. Dev. Bank	
60/69 a f) registered	100½
Rassco 6½% Deb. 58/64	
Class "A" f)	107
Class "B" g)	108¾
Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh.	101
G.U.S.—Rassco Ltd.	
6½%debs.61/68(bearer) f)	104¾
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	335
Bearer Savings Cert. II'60	99½
Bk. Leumi Investment	
Ord. sh.'B' reg.	192½
Igroth 6½% Deb. 58/65	103½
Ata ord. 'B' sh.	139½
"Kurdaneh" ord. "B"	138½
8% con. debt. 59/68	127½
Teva Ltd.	
ord. shares IL10.-reg.	149½
Pal. Cold St. (IL10.-) (reg.)	197
American-Isr. Paper Mills	
ord. "B" d)	280
Bizur 6% debs. 56/65 reg.	94
Nir 5%pref. sh.	99½
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	169½
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh. reg.	141
Meller ord. sh. reg.	1340
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Nesher 6% debs. "A" 55/64	119
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	99
Dead Sea Works	358
Delek ord. sh "C"	191
Jordan Exploration Co.	
Ord. "A" sh. reg.	76
Ellern's Investment Corp. Ltd.	
ord. shares (reg.)	214
Housing Loan, "A" 59/68	
4½% (bearer) f)	105¼
Housing Loan, "C" 60/69	
6% reg. g)	98¼
Cifico Ltd.	
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Today's Postbag

The Weather

Forecast: Fair.
Weather Synopsis: A high pressure cell over E. Mediterranean is causing stable weather.

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	68	8	17	19
Tiberias	66	14	22	23
Haifa, Port	58	14	21	23
Natanya	61	—	22	23
Tel Aviv Kirya	61	11	22	23
Tel Aviv Port	67	13	30	31
Lydda Airport	50	8	22	23
Jerusalem	66	9	17	19
Beersheba	61	7	19	20
Eilat	36	12	23	24

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

RAINFALL

	B.	A.
Acre	24.0	0.5
Meona	144.6	1.7
Gilboa	23.2	9.9
Nakhshon	36.1	0.2
Nir Yitshak	24.1	5.2
Beersheba	21.9	5.6

A. Rainfall (in mm.) in 24 hours up to 8 a.m. on Wednesday. B. Rainfall since August 1.

ARRIVALS

Mr. M. Varon, of the Foreign Ministry; Mr. James Duffy, First Secretary of the British Embassy; Mr. John Dodds, Press Attache at the Embassy; and Mr. T.R. Lurie, Editor of The Jerusalem Post, with a party of travel agents from the inaugural flight to London of B.O.A.C.'s new Britannia service to Lydda (by B.O.A.C.)

Mr. Arye Kubovy, Chairman of the Board of Yad Vashem, and Mrs. Kubovy, from the U.S. where he negotiated with the Jewish Claims Conference on winning its support for Yad Vashem (by El Al).

Mr. David Peleg, Scientific Attache at the Israel Embassy in Paris (by El Al).

Mr. Yehiel Duvdevani, Managing Director of Mekorot, from the U.S. (by El Al).

Mr. Abraham Richtiger, Honorary Vice-President of the British Zionist Federation, and Mrs. Richtiger, for a two-week visit (by El Al).

Rabbi I. Levin, a member of the Zionist General Council, from New York to attend the Council meeting later this month (by El Al).

Dr. Alfred Loehnberg, of Kfar Shmaryahu, on home leave from a mission as adviser on water to the Mexican Government.

Miss Maryann Elizabeth Cinque, 21-year-old, Yonkers secretary, elected "Miss Union Maid" by the Union Label and Services Trades Council of AFL-CIO, for a week's stay as guest of the American Travel Association, the Histadrut and El Al (by El Al).

DEPARTURES

Mr. William Blackwood, special commercial representative of Eire, after initialling a trade agreement with Israel, for Athens on his way home (by Olympic Airways).

Count and Countess Bernardo de Almeida, of Lisbon, for Greece, after spending a week in Israel on Rotary International business (by Olympic Airways).

A RECORDED concert of music by Bloch will be held at 8.30 p.m. today at the American Library in Tel Aviv. Mr. Charles Hasenecz will explain the composer's works.

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A TWO-FAMILY hut went up in flames on Wednesday in Kibbutz Malkiyeh, Upper Galilee. The fire was started by an overturned cooking stove. Damage is estimated at IL7,000.

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A BOOK drive has been initiated by the Upper Galilee District Council among veteran settlements to collect books for libraries in development area villages.

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KOL ZION LAGOLA employees in Jerusalem yesterday decided to call a strike if the Jewish Agency does not agree, within the next two weeks, to negotiate on their demands for journalists' grading.

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A COW valued at IL800 was stolen on Tuesday evening from the barn of Ya'acov Ben-Moshe, Beit Yosef, in the Jordan Valley. It is feared that the theft was carried out by infiltrators from across the nearby Jordan border.

Ration News

Children's sugar rations for December are now on sale against Coupon No. 645, 1.5 kg. at 270 pr. per kg.

Use of Water Abnormally High as Rains Delayed

By ZE'EV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—Water planning experts are perturbed by the continued lack of rain and fear that water consumption will exceed the programme for the third consecutive year, *The Jerusalem Post* learned here yesterday.

Water consumption last month exceeded the estimated volume by 50 per cent. A total of 45 million cubic metres were supplied for domestic, industrial and agricultural purposes instead of the 30 million cubic metres forecast.

The water authorities are reported to be less concerned over the financial aspects of the extra water requirements — primarily in respect of agricultural production costs — but are worried over the ultimate effects the continued intensive irrigation may have on underground water levels throughout the country, already too low.

Precipitation measurements up to December 9 indicate that this year's figures lag behind last year's total, and are considerably below the national averages and the plentiful early (and later disappointing) rainfall of 1957.

Rainfall up to Dec. 9
(In mm.)

	'59	'58	'57
Western Galilee	85	99	226
Haifa	71	93	262
Natanya	33	44	247
Tel Aviv	40	43	226
Jerusalem	26	21	129
Beersheba	22	4	30

So far, farmers are reported satisfied with the germination of their earlier sown winter crops. Most of the settlements have already completed their sowing programmes, but are awaiting additional rainfalls to stimulate growth. Fields under intensive cultivation, however, are still irrigated, some six weeks later than usual, and the general consumption of the agricultural sector has not diminished to any considerable extent.

Steps taken to encourage Mother Nature include the artificial rain project headed by Mr. Shmuel Jaffe of the Research Council of Israel. Operating on a slim budget of IL10,000, the project, now in its fourth year, is attempting to establish whether the seeding of clouds with silver iodide smoke generators can increase local precipitation. A seven-year trial period is required to establish definitely whether the national implementation of an artificial rain project would be feasible economically, Mr. Jaffe told *The Jerusalem Post*.

It is generally assumed that the generators can increase local rainfalls by 10-15 per cent. While such quantities would be insufficient to prevent disasters during drought years, the project could, if successful, do much to replenish underground water reserves.

Increased rainfall in an area with an annual average of 500 mm. of rain could amount to as much as one additional cubic metre of water per dunam, Mr. Jaffe said.

The site of the experiment, involving the use of eight smoke generators, is an area due east of Nazareth.

Among the prerequisites for the successful operation of the generators are suitable cloud conditions — "on the verge" of precipitation — so that they would be responsive to the silver-iodide crystals released.

The generators are operated on every other suitable day in order to permit comparative measurements in "treated" and "non-treated" periods. These measurements are essential for the formulation of conclusions at the end of the trial period.

Mapai Insist on First Mayorship in Capital

Mapai on Wednesday night refused to relinquish its demand that Mr. Mordecai Ish-Shalom serve first as Mayor of Jerusalem in any future coalition with the National Religious Party involving rotation of mayors. The N.R.P. continued to demand that Dr. I.E. Nebenzahl serve first in the rotation scheme.

The Religious bloc split into two component parts, the National Religious and Agudat Yisrael, when the latter party stalked out of a joint meeting on Wednesday evening.

The meeting broke up when Mr. Menahem Porush, M.K., announced that his party insisted on the introduction of separate bathing at the German Colony pool as its condition for joining a Mapai-National Religious coalition.
(See Article, Page 4).

Mapai in Jerusalem on Wednesday named Mr. Dov Lipov as its candidate for the post of Secretary of the Jerusalem Labour Council. Mr. Moshe Baram, M.K., elected Secretary of the branch. Formerly, Mr. Lipov was Secretary of Mapai and Mr. Baram Secretary of the Labour Council.

President Donates Music Scholarship

The President and Mrs. I. Ben-Zvi have donated a scholarship to the Rubin Academy of Music.

A letter sent to the Academy by the President's Aide said Mr. and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were impressed by the artistic standard of the Academy's teachers and students who performed in a concert held last month at Beit Hanassi.

Tager Re-elected In Ashkelon by 10 to 1

ASHKELON. — Mr. Arye Tager, of Mapai, was re-elected Mayor of Ashkelon on Wednesday evening at the opening session of the Council. He was given 10 votes against one Herut Councillor in opposition.

Mr. Uri Chichik, of Mapai, was elected salaried Deputy Mayor by 10 to 0, Herut abstaining. Messrs. Avraham Blasbalg (General Zionist), David Ayal, (Ahdut Ha'avoda), and Ze'ev Halperin (National Religious) were all elected Honorary Deputy Mayors by nine votes to two, Rabbi Rubin, of the National Religious, joining Herut in opposition. Rabbi Rubin had expected to be his party's nominee for the honour.

The programme outlined by the coalition for the coming year includes the building of a new city centre, a new market, and extensive development of the beach area.

Petah Tikva Picks Rashish for 3rd Time

Petah Tikva will be run by a 12-member coalition on the 17-man Municipal Council. According to an agreement signed on Tuesday evening, Mr. Pinhas Rashish (Mapai) has been re-elected Mayor for the third time running. He will have five deputies.

The coalition comprises Mapai (6 seats), the National Religious Party (2), the Agudat Yisrael (1), Mapam (1) Ahdut Ha'avoda (1) and the Progressives (1). Herut (2), the Iraqi Immigrants (2) and the General Zionists (1) constitute the opposition. *(Itim.)*

Haifa Council Plans 10-Storey Housing

HAIFA. — The Municipality is planning two 10-storey buildings to provide small flats for young couples, bachelors and old people, Mayor Abba Khoushy told the press yesterday. They will be built at Rehov Yitzhak Sadeh and Sderot Hameginim.

The city will also shortly build a sewage system for the industrial zone in the Bayside area to avoid pollution of the Kishon.

Pressmen yesterday toured various roads, newly built or widened by the Municipality at a cost of IL1m.

Israel Joins World Telex Network Today

Israel will be linked up with the international Telex network this evening.

Local subscribers will be able to dial directly to subscribers in any of 15 countries in Europe, North and South America and in Puerto Rico and Hawaii. A directory is available to subscribers.

Five representatives of telephone and telegraph companies in Australia, Italy and the U.S. arrived by El Al plane at Lydda on Wednesday to attend the inauguration ceremonies at the Central Post Office in Jerusalem.

Fractions of Bonus Shares to University

HADERA. — The Hebrew University has benefited by $801.24 under a unique decision for this country's industrial enterprises. The American-Israeli Paper Mills approached its 3,000 shareholders to obtain their agreement to donating the "fractions" of their bonus shares to the University.

Most firms pay these "fractions" in cash to their shareholders.

The company intends making this an annual donation.

Eilat Toys for POST Fund

Eilat's schoolchildren will again this year collect toys and money for less privileged children in border villages. Eilat's weekly newspaper "Hashavua Be'Eilat" is joining in the campaign and will this week publish a feature on the Toy Fund's programme.

The chief of the CARE Mission in Israel, Mr. Waldo E. Tibbets, writes that "it is a distinct pleasure for CARE to be able to participate again in the Hanukka Toy Fund and we do hope that it will be as successful as it has been in the past.

"CARE is again contributing $96 for the purchase of sweets from the Lieber Company and the Lieber Company will in turn match this amount for sweets and candy from their stocks."

Offers of help keep coming to the Toy Fund too. Alfred Obermayer of Haifa writes that he is enclosing his check for IL10 but would also like to offer the aid of his small car and himself — but only after five, as he does not leave work until then.

Cash contributions yesterday reached IL532,600, bringing the total to IL4,355,575. They include:—

$87. Hadassah, New York
IL50. Management & Staff, Mesco Ltd., Haifa.
IL41,100 Freemason Lodge "Zur Quelle Siloah," Jerusalem.
IL25. Forum Kreis, Haifa, lecture on 8.12.59
IL15. Mrs. Leah Valin, Kfar Ata. H.A. Schiratzki, in memory of her late brother Jacob, grandfather of Naomi, Kobbi, Yival, Yoram.
IL10. Duka Travel Service, Haifa. Shlomo & Alisa Blumenthal, Kiryat Amal. Irith & Michael Patai; Prof. & Mrs. Stranss for Lukas Gideon Eisner, Basle; Anonymous; N.N.; Jerusalem. The Skal Club of Jerusalem. Trude Mendel, Gedera. Ezra, Tel Ganim. In memory of Ray Lerner: Rachel Bl, New York.
[illegible] & Mrs. Kraemer, Haifa.
IL5,400 Yael, Noemi & Amnon Neustadt, Haifa — 3 times Hai Gvuah.
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IL4,875. Dr. E. Peled, Kibbutz Sarid.
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IL2,500 Uri Wellenberg, Tel Aviv
IL2. Anonymous, Nahariya. Samson Aharon, Ashkelon. Hana and Haim Feingold, Haifa. Z. H. in memory of Mrs. Olumcka, Tel Aviv.
IL1. Daniela Ravitz; N.N.; Anonymous; Haifa. Ilana, (8 years) & Rafael (4 years) Lichtblau, Kfar Ata. Bobby, Tel Aviv. Tal A. Lapid (4 months old) Jerusalem. "I lost the bet" . . . anonymous, Haifa.

Two New Envoys arrived in Israel on Tuesday night. M. Jean Leroy, Ambassador of Belgium, is to present his credentials on Thursday (today) to President Ben-Zvi. M. Jean Adolphe Bourdeillette, Ambassador of France, is to present his credentials on Sunday. Both envoys called on the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, on Thursday. They are shown above arriving at Haifa in the s.s. Israel; M. and Mme. Bourdeillette at the left and M. and Mme. Leroy in the right-hand picture. Photos by Muhlstock

Exit Permit Fee Under Review

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Interior Minister Israel Bar-Yehuda told the Knesset yesterday that he had referred the question of a possible reduction of fees for passports and exit permits to the Ministerial Economic Committee.

The increased fees had been one of several measures adopted last year to raise additional revenue to cover the cost of anticipated immigration from Rumania, he said.

"I assume that with the changes that have taken place in all of these levies, it is perhaps natural that changes should be made here too," Mr. Bar-Yehuda stated.

He was presenting for its first reading a bill to extend until the end of 1960 the validity of Emergency Regulations (Departure from the Country.) The regulations require any person subject to Army duty to obtain the permission of the Minister of Defence before being issued an exit permit.

The bill was passed to the Internal Affairs Committee, with Herut and the Communists voting for its return to the Government.

Mr. Haim Landau (Herut) said that the exit permit regulation was no longer justified, and said that it did not exist in any other democratic country. Also, the fee of IL40 (in addition to the IL50 passport fee) was out of all proportion to the service rendered, he declared.

Mr. Idov Cohen (Progressives) said that the exit permit requirement was having an adverse effect on the development of ties with other nations. We should strive to be an open country, and not a closed one, he said.

Mr. Tewfik Toubi (Communist) said that the exit permit imposed an unnecessary hardship.

Same Parties to Head Knesset Committees

Each of the nine standing committees of the Knesset will be chaired by the same parties that headed them in the Third Knesset, the House Committee decided yesterday.

In seven of the committees, the chairmen will also be the same. The two exceptions are the House Committee, where Mr. Haim Zadok replaces Mr. Baruch Azania, and the Education Committee, where Dr. Elimelech Rimait replaces Mrs. Shoshana Persitz.

The nine committees and their chairmen are as follows:
Foreign Affairs and Security—Mr. Meir Argov, Mapai;
Law and Constitution — Dr. Zerah Wahrhaftig, National Religious;
Education and Culture — Dr. Elimelech Rimait, General Zionists;
Economic — Dr. Binyamin Avnieli, Herut;
House — Mr. Haim Zadok, Mapai;
Finance — Mr. Israel Gurt, Mapai;
Labour — Mr. Akiva Govrin, Mapai;
Internal Affairs — Mr. Ya'acov Biftin, Mapam; and
Public Services — Mr. Mordechai Bibi, Ahdut Ha'avoda.

Mr. Bibi was elected temporary chairman only. A number of resignations in the seven-man Ahdut Ha'avoda faction are expected to bring back to the Knesset Mr. Moshe Erem (No. 10 on his party's list), in which case he would again head the committee, as he did in the Third Knesset.

5-Year Plan for Youth Protective Homes

Accommodation in Government Protective Homes for Young People will be increased from the present 700 places to 1,002 under a five-year plan which has been worked out by the Ministry of Social Welfare, it was announced yesterday by the Ministry spokesman.

The increase in accommodation will ensure places for all offenders sentenced by the Juvenile Court.

Israel Woman Lays Claim To Part of Labrador

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A Haifa resident of Dutch descent is laying claim to part of Labrador. She says that if she wins title to the land she will lease her share of the peninsula to the Israel Government.

Mrs. Blume Rosenberg, born in Amsterdam, is one of the 40-odd known descendants of the 17th century Dutch Jewish trader, Joseph de la Penha, who recently announced in Holland that they would take legal steps to have their claim to the Canadian territory recognized.

She belongs to the Dutch Sephardi Delmonte family which was joined to the de la Penhas three generations ago. She told *The Jerusalem Post* that she had instructed her relatives in Holland to file her name with the committee dealing with the claim.

The Dutch committee claims that the territory was given to Joseph de la Penha and his descendants by Stadtholder Willem III, as a reward for rescuing him and his wife Mary, daughter of King James II of Britain, in a storm at sea.

Mrs. Rosenberg recalled that in her childhood 30 years ago her parents were registered with a group that intended to act on the matter. At that time her family's connection to the de la Penhas was recognized, and she believes it could still be proved from records at the Amsterdam Sephardi Synagogue.

If the present committee would take the matter to court, as it has been announced, she was willing to pay her share of the expenses. She expected that the Israel Treasury would permit the necessary currency transfer. "If the claim is recognized and we receive Labrador, I shall be willing to lease my part of the peninsula to the Israel Government," she declared.

Knesset Gets Bill On Temporary Midwives

A bill authorizing the issue of temporary midwifery licences to temporary residents passed its first reading in the Knesset yesterday.

Presenting the bill — an Amendment to the Midwives Ordinance — Health Minister Israel Barzilai said its main aim was to alleviate the shortage of midwives. The present law requires that a midwife be a citizen.

The bill also makes provision for temporary licences for midwives who are citizens but whose applications for permanent licence are being processed.

Poisonous Drugs

The Knesset also passed the first reading of an Amendment to the Pharmacists' Ordinance. This would authorize the Minister of Health to make administrative changes in the list of poisonous drugs for whose sale a special permit is required.

The bill also requires that permits for the sale of poisonous drugs be renewed annually, rather than be granted permanently as now.

More Funds Needed As TB Patients on Increase

TEL AVIV. — More funds are needed for clinics of the anti-Tuberculosis League to cope with the yearly increment of 1,000 tubercular cases, Dr. A. Volovelsky, Chairman of the League's executive, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The majority of the new cases were new immigrants, in the ratio of five to every veteran resident, he said. Funds raised by the League abroad will be used exclusively for the building of new clinics, especially in such new immigrant towns as Migdal Ashkelon and Acre, where clinics are already under construction.

Chairmen and secretaries of local branches met with the League's executive at the Yahdav Club here on Monday to discuss their problems and ways and means of extending services and financing purchase of modern equipment. It was decided to extend the present system of cooperation between the League, the Ministry of Health, Malben and Kupat Holim. The cooperation is based on equal distribution of expenses between the four bodies.

As a result of its difficulties in meeting its responsibilities in the nine clinics to which such cooperation extends, as well as the other establishments it maintains, the League has reached an agreement with the Ministry of Health for the reduction of its contribution as from April 1959, Dr. Volovelsky said.

Uruguayan M.P.'s Tour Haifa Area

HAIFA. — The Uruguayan parliamentary delegation headed by the House Speaker, Mr. Francisco Rodriguez Camuso, on Wednesday toured Haifa city. They were the luncheon guests of the head of the Technion, Rav-Aluf Y. Dori, and later inspected the institution. In the evening, they were guests at a dinner given by the Honorary Consul of Uruguay, Mr. S. Gottlieb.

On their way to Haifa from Jerusalem, the visitors visited Kfar Menahem, which has 70 members who come from South America.

Ministry Studies Plan For Greengrocer Chain

The encouragement of a chain of stores to market fruits and vegetables is being considered by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry as part of its programme to streamline food marketing, it was announced yesterday by the Ministry spokesman.

The chain would be on the lines of the Chen Paldag combine, the self-service cooperatives and the chain planned by grocers organized in the Merchants Association, he said.

It has become clear, the spokesman said, that marketing of fruits and vegetables is at present unsatisfactory. He pointed to the fact that the recent drop in tomato prices, intended to increase consumption, did not achieve its aim because of the present outdated marketing system.

Avraham Natun, New Horizons' Artist

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Avraham Natun (Natanson), one of the leaders of the "New Horizons" artists group, died here on Wednesday night. He was 54.

Born in Bessarabia, Natun graduated from the National Academy in Bucharest and arrived in the country in 1934. He took a leading part for years in the affairs of local artists and was a member of the committee of the Milo Club.

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RAFFLES OF VALUABLE PRIZES

Police Take Up 'Ha'olam Hazeh' Printing of Raped Girl's Photo

TEL. AVIV.—The brother of the 19-year-old girl who was brutally raped last week by nine men, yesterday requested that all copies of the weekly "Ha'olam Hazeh" be removed from the news-stands. This week's issue, which appeared on Wednesday, carries a photograph of the girl on its cover, the mast-head running across her face, which is partly obscured, and other photographs inside. Her name has not been made public.

Relieving President of the District Court M. Kennet instructed that the matter be transferred to the police, who will investigate whether there has been a violation of the law.

In his written appeal, the brother declared: "Your Honour is aware of the injury that was done to my sister by nine men. She suffered terribly and our family suffers. I appeal to you, deal kindly with us and allow the police to collect immediately all copies of "Ha'olam Hazeh," which published the picture without the family's consent."

The brother also asked the Judge to order a press ban on the incident.

Tricked Into Posing

He stated that "Ha'olam Hazeh" acquired the picture from the family by sending someone to pose as a representative of the Courts. "We have submitted a complaint against the editor of "Ha'olam Hazeh" to the Kfar Saba police. The picture will be recognized by friends, acquaintances and neighbours. In the name of your conscience, I beg you to help us and prevent an even greater evil."

Before transferring the application to the police, Judge Kennet asked for an opinion from the Acting District Attorney, Mr. E. Leibson. Mr. Leibson stated that publication of the photograph might be an offence under the law which stipulates that nothing may be published on a matter which is *sub judice* if such publication may influence the course of justice. The penalty is one year in jail or a IL2,000 fine. *(Itim.)*

Rape Suspects Denied Bail

TEL AVIV. — A request to be released on bail made by five young men suspected of having raped a 19-year-old girl in the Hatikva Quarter a week ago was turned down by Relieving President M. Kennet of the District Court here on Wednesday.

Four other suspects were freed on IL1,500 bail each earlier this week, and a police representative said in court then that charges would probably not be preferred against them.

Defence Counsel stated that police investigation of the case was concluded and that there was no need to hold his clients in custody. But a police representative said the probe is continuing.

Judge Kennet said he would be prepared to listen to another request for bail next week. *(Itim.)*

Two Beduin Injured In Infiltrator Raid

BEERSHEBA. — Police here are investigating complaints by two Beduin of the Azazme tribe that they were assaulted by armed infiltrators on Sunday at their encampment south of Sde Boker. The two men arrived in the Eilat Hospital on Tuesday for treatment.

They said the infiltrators stole 20 camels valued at IL10,000.

Scooter Rider Dies Of Accident Injuries

Avraham Gross, who was run over by a Hamekasher bus in Jerusalem at the end of last week, while riding his scooter, died of his injuries on Wednesday.

The bus driver, Avraham Zill, 46, was brought before Magistrate A. Simha in Jerusalem on the charge of causing Gross's death at the corner of Rehov David Yellin and Yosef Ben Mattityahu, and released on IL1,000 bail.

TWO BADLY HURT ON BEISAN-GESHER ROAD

NAZARETH. — A pick-up truck driven by Dov Klach, of Kibbutz Yif'at, overturned into a wadi on the Beisan-Gesher road on Wednesday evening. Both he and his passenger, Amram Yisrael, of Givat Hayim, were seriously injured and were taken to the Afula Central Hospital.

SENIOR OFFICIALS of the Foreign Ministry yesterday took their oaths of office in the presence of the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir. They included the Acting Director-General, Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, and the former Director-General and now Ambassador-designate to the U.K. Mr. Walter Eytan.

Officials, Press Urged To Guard Secrets

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday afternoon took the opportunity of the pledging ceremony of top Ministry officials to warn them against inadvertent violations of secrecy requirements. He also warned the press against disregarding the "good of the country" in its pursuit of "scoops."

Mr. Eshkol made his remarks at the conclusion of an impressive ceremony at which the officials pledged their allegiance to the State and to its laws.

The Minister pointed out that one of the requirements of service in top Government positions was the guarding of essential secrets. He said that the time would most likely come when the press would either voluntarily, or by law, give up the licence with which it often endangered vital State interests.

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2 COWS belonging to Kibbutz Malkiyeh in Upper Galilee on Wednesday crossed the border into Lebanon. Police are negotiating for their return.

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Israel XI Meets Pakistan Today

Special to The Jerusalem Post

ERNAKULAM, South India.—With its morale boosted by the 3-1 victory over India on Tuesday, Israel is hopeful of a triumph today (Thursday) over Pakistan, its strongest opponent to date in the Asian Cup (Western Zone) soccer tourney. A tough game is expected.

Israel's line-up is to be: Portal; Matanya and Mordechovitz; Haldi, Lefkovits and Tisch; Nahari, Steimach, Rafi Levi, Rosenbaum and Glaser.

Persia, which beat Israel 3-0 in the opening game of the series last Saturday, yesterday went down 1-4 to Pakistan. All goals were scored in the first half of the game, refereed by Dudai of Israel.

To date, each of the four teams — Israel, India, Pakistan and Persia — has marked up two points in two games. At least eight points will be needed to gain the Western Zone championship.

The standard of play of the Persians has shown that their victory over Israel was accidental, and now the two teams will open the second round of the competition next Saturday. Closing date of the tourney has been extended by two days, to December 18.

Yesterday, the press enthusiastically praised Israel's showing against India, giving detailed descriptions of the Israelis' football technique.

British Army Selected Guest of Ilem Hapoel

A British Army Selected from Cyprus — "the best soccer team on the island"— arrived in Israel last night (Wednesday) as guest of Jerusalem Hapoel. The visitors, who include some former First Division players, will probably play four games here, the first on Saturday against their hosts, at the German Colony Stadium.

This is the first time that a Jerusalem XI has ever invited a team from abroad, Jerusalem Hapoel leaders told the press yesterday.

The second game will be against Tiberias Hapoel "because the soldiers want to see the Sea of Galilee." The third game will probably be in Petah Tikva and the fourth against the Army Selected.

Wolfson Gives IL100,000 Towards Soldiers' Hostel

TEL AVIV. — The British philanthropist, Mr. Isaac Wolfson, has donated IL100,000 for the completion of a soldiers' hostel in Tel Aviv.

The hostel is being built by the Soldiers Welfare Committee on a five-dunam plot in Rehov Weizmann in the northern part of the town. In addition to living quarters for soldiers on leave, it will contain club-rooms, a restaurant, reading rooms and a library, a synagogue and a theatre.

The initial IL250,000 for the hostel came from the sale of the lease of Noah's Ark, the soldiers' club in Rehov Hayarkon. The site was purchased by the Dan Hotel.

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So encouraging were the results of this campaign, that the N.C.P.R.A. has now decided to embark on monthly campaigns directed at pedestrians, drivers, bicycle and motorcycle riders.

We hope that in our drive against death on the roads we shall continue to enjoy the same measure of support and close cooperation from the public as we did in this campaign.

N. Tel-Niv,
General Secretary

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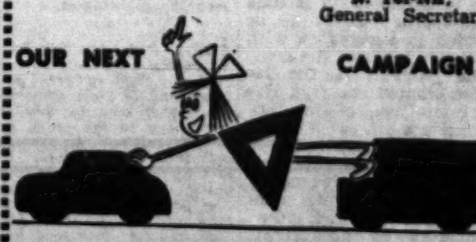

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DECEMBER 10 has been set aside for annual celebration throughout the world as Human Rights Day. The hope is that the need to recognize certain basic principles concerning human rights will be accepted by all nations. When the U.N. was brought into being in 1945 its constitution was based on a recognition of such rights. A commission was then set up to formulate a Declaration of Human Rights and to proceed from there to prepare a Charter of Human Rights to which all member nations of the Organization would be expected to subscribe. The Charter would deal, among other matters, with economic, social and cultural rights and with civic and political ones.

HUMAN RIGHTS

The Declaration itself, being in essence a statement of widely accepted moral notions presented no great difficulty and this was agreed upon by the U.N. on December 10, 1948, thus constituting the basis for Human Rights Day. The Charter is another matter. The Commission appointed to deal with this is still in session and at the present U.N. Assembly some criticism was voiced at the slowness with which it is moving towards its goal.

One must not take this lagging pace as an entirely undesirable factor. Study of the minutes of the Commission indicates that, in part at any rate, it is the result of a desire to have a document prepared which will, when ratified, command universal agreement and observance. This is good, except that it means that the whole process must move at the speed of developing international morality. There is also the likelihood that by the time universal agreement is really obtained on a draft it will no longer be necessary. The representatives of the nations will only agree when they have reached a stage of moral development which renders a Charter of Human Rights superrogatory.

When one looks into the details of the debate on one of the provisions which occupied the Commission during the month of November one begins to see the core of the difficulty and also the first glimmer of a new light of law among the nations. The problem is to formulate Article 12 on freedom of movement.

This Article in part states: "Anyone shall be free to leave any country, including his own. No one shall be subject to arbitrary exile; subject to the preceding sub-paragraph, anyone shall be free to enter his own country." To this five nations moved an amendment to include the words "unless he be exiled in accordance with the provisions of the law." The progress of the debate elicited one fact. Representatives of the nations are in a kind of quandary. They wish to demonstrate that their citizens possess elementary rights; they have a sympathy for the U.N. view, which places those rights in an absolute position, which in effect would transcend the laws of each particular country; yet in effect they resist this implication that there can be a supra-national law which lays down limitations of the power of a State over its citizens.

This, however, is the very crux of the matter and it is the crux of the moral problem facing the UN. The time must come when a rule of world law will prevail over the laws of individual nations and will be exercised to help liberate oppressed peoples within the borders of individual nations. Thus it may some day function to overcome tyrannical tendencies which might develop inside any particular nation.

Insofar as the present struggle for the formulation of a treaty of Human Rights is concerned Israel has from the first taken a positive attitude on the matter. This is inherent in our whole history, for the recognition of the need of a unified principle of justice that will apply everywhere without exception is the foundation upon which Judaism rests.

Why So Many Dams Burst

Catastrophes Could Be Avoided by Technique Developed in Israel

By AVRAHAM AVISHUR

IT is not at all infrequent for rivers to spill over the top of a dam assumed to have been high enough to contain the worst floods. In the U.S. alone 55 dams were totally destroyed in the period from 1914 until a few years ago, and in 18 of these cases the floods came over the top.

Most dam collapses take place in extraordinary floods, when the pressure of the water as well as its height can be blamed; but planners prefer to blame construction methods, building materials or insufficient knowledge of the foundation, rather than errors in calculating the height of the flood. Yet it is clear that if the water comes over the top the dam is useless no matter how well it is built, and that even where construction may be to blame, the consequences would not have been so disastrous had not the rivers risen higher than expected. In other words, the hydrological planning is nearly always a factor in a dam's failure.

Unfortunately, it has not yet been possible to develop foolproof estimates of the maximum discharge and flow. Most of the calculations on which the dimensions of the spillways being built today are based are founded on frequency and probability curves in which the measured flow of the observed period is graphically extrapolated into a period of centuries. Yet a special American commission recommended as far back as 1953, on the basis of a comprehensive study, that these methods may be applied only to small bridges, roads or temporary installations in danger of periodic flooding, and not to vital structures such as dams, which must stand up to the worst floods.

Worst Disaster

And so dams have continued to fail, and the collapse at Frejus is only the last — and the worst — of three such major disasters in the past year or two.

The first was the flooding of the Kariba dam in Rhodesia, which is to hold back the world's greatest reservoir (four times bigger than the Hoover dam) with a volume of 156,000,000,000 cubic metres, or more or less as much as flows through the Nile in a peak year. The spillway was to be big enough to accommodate 6,500 cubic metres per second. According to the frequency methods employed to calculate it, this discharge rate could be expected only once in 10,000 years. Yet in 1957, as the dam was still being built, the discharge reached a maximum of 8,120 cubic metres per second, and 1958 brought floods carrying 13,000, and then 16,000 cubic metres, about as much as the Danube at Belgrade in the highest flood.

No lives were lost, for there was time to evacuate the people in the path of the flood. The damage, however, was exceedingly heavy, including the destruction of a number of important structures and installations. Of course this is nothing compared to the loss that would have been incurred if these floods had come after the dam had already been constructed.

The dam was planned and supervised by two world-famous engineers one of whom, named Coyne, was incidentally also responsible for the planning of the dam at Frejus and many other places all over the world.

In April of this year, one-half of the area of the entire Republic of Uruguay—93,000 square kilometres — was under water. The disaster, which began when the Uruguay river flooded its banks, grew even greater when the Rio Negro spilled over also, threatening the Rincon del Bonete dam and forcing the evacuation of a nearby town of 15,000.

Here too calculations had been based on frequency and probability curves, according to which the late German expert on hydro-electric projects, Ludin, had expected a maximum of 9,000 cubic metres per second once in 10,000 years. This year, 15,000 cubic metres per second were recorded. The army succeeded in blasting additional spillways in time, so that the dam was saved, but the hydro-electric plant has been incapacitated for a year, not to mention the losses to the population.

Frejus Tragedy

The disaster at Frejus was the worst of all, because it claimed so many lives and inflicted damage to the tune of 30,000m. francs. While it is impossible to get at the causes until the inquiry is completed, Mr. Coyne has already admitted the possibility of errors in planning. Here too the calculations were based on frequency curves, and they must bear the lion's share of the blame, although poor construction or materials may have made the catastrophe worse.

The Uruguay disaster has been ascribed to the fact that the two rivers flooded their banks at the same time, a possibility which was apparently not taken into account in the calculations even though it would seem logical that since floods are due to precipitation, rivers draining contiguous basins might be expected to rise simultaneously at least occasionally.

In fact this is exactly what happened at Kariba. The floods in upper Angola coincided with those of the drainage basin between Livingstone and Kariba, re-inforcing them; and to make matters worse, protracted heavy rains "unaccountably" fell in the Kariba area itself.

A similiar situation prevailed in Holland in the catastrophic floods of January and February 1907, in which over 1,500 persons and large numbers of livestock perished and huge losses were incurred through a combination of heavy inland inundations, exceptionally high tides at sea and heavy storms. Some Dutch scientists had predicted such a contingency well ahead of time, demanding the erection of additional protective dams, but the planners told them not to worry about "strictly academic possibilities."

Way to Safety

All this teaches us that water schemes, especially on a regional scale, must be extremely prudent and steer clear of routine methods that are being condemned — and with good reason — by a number of experts. The basis for calculations must be supplied not by recorded flow, but by what causes it: precipitation. We will be reasonably safe only if we build our spillways to discharge all the flow that can come from recorded rainfall under the most adverse conditions.

This is much more difficult to figure out than the answers obtained by resorting to the routine frequency and probability methods, which represent the path of least resistance. However, there is ground for hope that the method that has been developed in Israel over the past 20 years will soon find growing application abroad, where it is already in use in some important projects. Of course, the longer the periods of recorded rainfall on which these new methods can base themselves, the better. In Israel the maximum is 100 years, in some countries 300 or more. But even these relatively short periods are better than a 10,000-year continuum based on abstract extrapolation.

A PRESENT FROM UNCLE

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Theology and Politics

Hatzofe (National Religious) takes serious exception to the Ministry of Religion's forthcoming regulations governing the election of a Chief Rabbi and limiting candidature to Israel citizens below the age of 70. Pointing out that the new incumbent should be selected for his moral, intellectual and spiritual stature and that the Chief Rabbinate has not been consulted, the paper avers that it is not too late to re-establish amicable relations between it and the Ministry of Religions on this point.

Haboker (General Zionist) notes that the forthcoming limitations will rule out two or three of the main candidates, leaving in the field only those who are favoured by Mapai. This is one of the worst things a party can do.

Herut regrets that the aged Minister has lent himself to the base political game around the exalted position of Chief Rabbi and points out that the very first President of the State was not a citizen when he was elected and that a supreme religious leader may be well over 70.

In connection with the U.N. decision on UNRWA, **Haboker** is amazed that the Arabs have repeated openly admitted that the reason they want the refugees back in Israel is to use them as a Trojan horse, and that the civilized word appears to have accepted this argument as quite natural

Hamodia (World Aguda) stresses that no one could possibly believe that Israel would sign her own death warrant by admitting a Fifth Column whose express purpose is her destruction, while **Davar** (Histadrut) writes that the resolution to seek a constructive future for the refugees cannot be implemented so long as the Arabs refuse to talk peace, and **Lamerhav** (Ahdut Ha'avoda) puts together both sides of the picture, explaining that the U.N. cannot force Israel to accept the refugees any more than we can compel the Arabs to make peace.

HEARD ABROAD

We should not decry physical punishment. Punishment of this type when justly applied is a most satisfying experience for the receiver as well as the giver.— Dr. D.F. Morgan, Medical Health Afficer for Chester.

Something must be done to stop the rot in our churchyards.— Rev. G.R. Sansbury.

I am the Mona Lisa with the mysterious smile. — Mr. Hugh Gaitskell.

Readers' Letters

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The brutal rape of a girl has been perpetrated by a group of youths with viciousness. Is it not high time that our courts of justice mete out punishment commensurate with the nature of the crime committed?

Many of us feel that punishment for sexual offences, as well as punishment in other cases involving human life and dignity has been far too lenient in the past.

Yours, etc.
MRS. MINNIE HALKIN
Jerusalem, December 4.

FIRE BRIGADE ALARM

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I would like to register my protest at being pestered to donate to the Fire Brigade, as I believe that the scale of municipal taxes is sufficiently high to cover its upkeep.

At the same time, I feel that it is degrading and unbecoming to turn our firemen into *"shnorrers."* I am sure that their time could be more profitably spent than going from door to door.

Yours, etc.,
VARDA GREEN
Ramat Gan, November 9.

Municipality Replies

We regret to state that the municipality has no connection with the collection activities of the Fire Brigade, as this is a voluntary association which is not under our jurisdiction.

This situation, however, will change as from April 1, 1960, when all units of the Fire Brigade will be transferred to the municipalities in accordance with the Fire-fighting Law. We have, therefore, transferred your correspondent's letter to the Ramat Gan Fire Brigade and asked them to reply to you directly.

Z. MELYON
Town Clerk — Ramat Gan
Ramat Gan, November 23.

Fire Brigade Replies

We are a volunteer association registered as such under Ottoman Law, and our stated purpose is to protect life and property against fire and flood.

Our budget is close to IL-100,000 a year, 20 per cent of which was met by the municipality until it was reduced by IL1,000 this year, on the instructions of the Minister of the Interior. This budget is spent on maintaining a team of 14 firemen, who work in shifts, and on buying new equipment and keeping it in order, as is required for an expanding population of 100,000. We try to balance our budget by taking payment for the extinguishing of fires, pumping out water, and, chiefly, contributions from Ramat Gan's residents.

Collection work is indeed difficult for us, but most of our citizens regard their contributions as the fulfilment of their obligations towards the volunteers who are ready to protect them at any hour. Those who do not know the true position regard these volunteers as *"shnorrers"* — an unjustified and insulting term.

We are proud that we are fulfilling such an honourable function as the protection of life and property, and we shall continue to do so within the framework of the Fire-fighting Law when it comes into effect, on April 1, 1960, when there is no doubt that the problem of our existence will become easier.

VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE, RAMAT GAN
Ramat Gan, November 26.

KEEPING POSTED

IN its weekly programme review our old friend the Hashemite Broadcasting Station promised a broadcast of Stravinsky's "Song of the Nightingale." When illustrating this by a short excerpt, the announcer apparently played the wrong side of the record and got the trombone solo from the same composer's "Pulcinella" instead. The deep voice of this nightingale did not seem to bother him at all, for he said blandly at the end that this had been the nightingale.

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LIFE with the Toy Fund consists not only of preventing children with gifts from sending them down the chute that conveys this paper's copy to the press, but of recognizing the various categories of visitors. We met up with a bright-faced young girl in the passage. She possessed an indefinable aura of extreme orthodoxy, and we did not even have to look to see whether her elbows were covered — misleading in the winter in any case. She said she was connected with the kindergarten in a new town of the Hasidim, *a large Hassidic sect. It so happens that the* Hasidim *like to celebrate the anniversary of the death of their rabbi, Shlomo Zalman Rabinowitz, which falls a few days before Hanukka. We reassured her that the children were on the list again this year. She obviously had something else on her mind. Would there be sweets again, had they been bought yet, could she see them? Nothing had been bought yet, she was told, but they would get their share early, in good time for their celebration. But the sweets... and the shmitta year? Could they be quite sure that fruit flavoured sweets would come only from the Lieber Co., which guaranteed to observe shmitta regulations and keep every drop of Israel-grown fruit juice out of this year's lemon drops? But even that could be arranged, for the Toy Fund in any case spreads its purchases over the various manufacturers.*

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JUST in any case anyone should think that things are much simpler abroad, we should like to put on record here what happened to a young Dutch girl who wanted to get married in a white dress. For most people it is the thing for the bride to marry in white, but not so in Fundamentalist Protestant churches in Holland. The consecration of a marriage in church, according to them, is a very serious occasion indeed, one on which the young couple should concentrate their thoughts on spiritual matters, and therefore not on such mundane points as a wedding dress. In these churches white is forbidden, and the bride must wear black. Recently, in a small town, a bride thought to achieve a compromise between her own wish and the dictates of the church, by going to the Civil Registry Office in white in the morning (in Holland a civil marriage must precede the religious marriage ceremony), then going home and changing into black for church. However, as it was a small town, this revolutionary plan became known to the church authorities. The bride was told that unless she wore black all day long, she could not be married in church at all. Faced with this choice, she preferred the white dress and was not married in church at all.

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AN acquaintance protested against the recital by Mr. Lavie of the controversy over the appointment of Mr. Sharon Weitz in the Keren Kayemet by his father, because he says nepotism is a time-honoured practice all over the world. He also quoted the remark attributed to a great physician, Virchow, of a century ago:

"The greatest miracle in genetics is the fact that the ability to occupy a chair at a university is transmitted not only from father to son, but also from father-in-law to son-in-law."

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A VERY careful woman driver reports that she had made several efforts to pass an uncooperative truck-driver, who kept hogging the middle of the road. She says she was stopped by a traffic policeman, and felt that for once he might be coming to congratulate her on her circumspection. She was disappointed. He said "Lady, why didn't you pass him? If you wait for that kind of so-and-so to give you an 'all-clear' sign you'll be on the way to Tel Aviv till next month."

Today's contributors include Karel Salomon, whose fee goes to the Toy Fund, and I. Goldhammer, Jerusalem.

Jerusalem Council's New Faces

United in Desire to See Capital Flourish

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Eight of the 21 Municipal Councillors — 20 men and one woman — who are to run the capital for the next four years are newcomers to the Council.

A ninth Mr. Haim Marinov (Mapai) served in a previous Council and was even again a member of the outgoing one — if only for one session. After the death of the late Mayor Gershon Agron, Mr. Marinov was next on the list to fill in the Mapai contingent.

The new Councillors, like the veteran members, are a widely diversified group.

Mapai, with eight seats in the new Council, also has the largest number of new faces: five.

Mr. Marinov, 55, spent two years in Siberia for his Zionist activities.

He arrived here in 1927, and settled in Jerusalem, becoming a construction worker, a stone cutter, and an employee in a building material plant. He is now Manager of the Jerusalem Branch of Even Vesid.

Another Mapai Councillor, Mr. Aharon Haim Cohen, 52, was born in Jerusalem. His grandfather emigrated here from Persia 90 years ago; his mother's family have been in Jerusalem for the past 300. He is a member of the Executive of the Jerusalem Labour Council, Director of its Arab Department, and Secretary of the Printers and Electricity Workers Union. He has five children, and his youngest, a boy of two, is younger than two of his grandchildren, twin boys.

All the Councillors, despite their party affiliations, are at one in wanting to see Jerusalem flourish. They are unanimous in the belief that the Government must extend more generous financial help.

What divides the Council into two hostile camps on religious issues is not so much observance as its outward forms. The issue is put bluntly by the only new member of Agudat Yisrael, Mr. Shlomo Zalmon Druck, 39, a former diamond worker. He is chairman of the Council of Poalei Agudat Yisrael in Jerusalem.

Discussing mixed bathing, he says there is "no alternative to separating men and women." On the Sabbath, he would like to reduce traffic in general gradually and stop it in orthodox quarters immediately.

Swimming Pool Problem

Dr. I. E. Nebenzahl, 52, the National Religious Party's candidate for Mayor, takes a much more liberal attitude towards such questions. "The pool is a problem I would like to see solved in line with the Talmudic principle: 'one side wins but the other doesn't lose'."

Other National Religious spokesmen say frankly that they consider mixed bathing a secondary issue. They attribute primary importance to the fact that the percentage of pupils attending State Religious Schools has been steadily declining in the past 11 years. They say that their main aim is to build better schools for religious children in non-religious areas, thus attracting many parents by their better facilities.

"But at any rate," Dr. Nebenzahl says, "The Council should devote itself primarily to one problem: sheer good administration."

Born in Frankfurt, he came to Jerusalem in 1933 on his honeymoon, which still continues. A former assistant lecturer in law in Frankfurt, he spent ten years working as a lawyer in Jerusalem. He is Consul-General for Sweden; Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Bank of Israel; Chairman of the Post-Office Bank; Chairman of the Hadassah Medical Organization's Israel Committee; member of the Board of Director of Bank Leumi, of the Jerusalem Economic Corporation and of the Petroleum Board; and he holds a dozen other pivotal posts.

The Religious bloc bases his candidacy for the mayoralty on two major premises; More than half the pupils in Jerusalem attend religious schools of one type or another, and Jerusalem's character as the Holy City.

The first argument is countered by Mapai which says: Slightly more than half the citizens of Jerusalem are women, why not a woman mayor?

Religious Tolerance

Mapai further points out that the proportion of pupils attending religious schools is one thing and the number of parents who mix religion and politics is another. Otherwise there is no explaining the fact that these parents returned only six religious Councillors.

The seventh member of the recently constituted "Religious Bloc" in the Council is Mr. Reuven Rabia, 52, the sole Councillor returned by the Iraqi list. His community is well-known for its religious tolerance. Indeed, if Mr. Rabia were to resign from the Council, the No. 2 man on the list would probably take it out of the Religious Bloc.

Born in Jerusalem, Mr. Rabia, who is a cigarette and confectionary wholesaler, was educated at Yeshiva Porat Yosef. His interests are first and foremost "what is good for the Iraqi community," whose principal demand at present is the right to set up a separate burial plot at Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

The answer to the religious parties' second claim is given by another Mapai Councillor, Mr. Saniel Vigdor, 45, a ladies tailor by profession who came to this country in 1935 from Rumania.

"Jerusalem," he says, "is the capital of the State of Israel. As such its Municipality must represent the country in its broadest sense, not local, sectional interests."

Mr. Vigdor, a highly skilled craftsman, sees his task in the Council as fighting for the artisan — "to advance and consolidate the economic development of this sector of the city's life."

Industrialization Plan

Mapai has two other new faces. Mr. Yohanan Ramati, 38, born in Warsaw but educated in England, came to Israel in 1949. By profession an economist and a journalist, he sees the most important future tasks of the Council in the improvement of town planning and more rapid industrial expansion. He also favours the extension of municipal services insofar as this can be actioned with a balanced budget.

His viewpoint is echoed by Mr. Israel Boezaglo, 37, a Moroccan immigrant who, 20 years after Mr. Marinov, did time in jail for his Zionist views. He arrived here in 1947 after spending 14 months in a Cyprus camp for illegal immigrants.

The No. 2 man on the National Religious party list, like Dr. Nebenzahl, is a newcomer to Jerusalem politics if not to the Jerusalem scene. He is Mr. Baruch Duvdevani, 42, Director of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department, who personally supervised the liquidation of entire *galuyot*.

Herut's fourth Councillor is this party's only newcomer. He is Mr. David Cohen, 40, born in Jerusalem. His father, the late Rafael Haim Hacohen, was a member of the Va'ad Leumi and came from Iran at the age of five. His mother is a sixth generation Jerusalemite. An M.A. in liberal arts from the Hebrew University, he also studies law there. He runs a printing plant. Orthodox, yet liberal, he sends his children both to State Religious Schools and to the mixed bathing pool.

Burma Schism Deepens

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH

SINGAPORE (OFNS). — BURMA'S Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, which took over the country from the British 11 years ago, split into two groups last year. The "clean" AFPFL, headed by U Nu, dissociated itself from government, while the "stable" AFPFL was the political organization behind General Ne Win, the new Premier.

The schism was in part caused by U Nu's readiness to offer the Communist rebels in the provinces generous amnesty terms rather than to continue to try to crush them militarily, but there was never any suggestion of collusion between the AFPFL and the Burmese Communist Party.

Now, however, a link has been discovered between the Marxist minority and certain elements in the AFPFL, that powerful and popular wing of the organization to which the Burmese largely owe their independence. A Communist guerilla commander, arrested for dacoity (armed robbery) recently confessed that he had received a letter from the president of the clean AFPFL in Taungtha, a town south-west of Mandalay. The letter was subsequently found during a house search by security officials and proved damning.

"Military dictator Ne Win's Government has announced that general elections will be held," it ran. "I have received directions from the district Communist Party. To make detailed arrangements in connection with the elections I am sending you three (named) responsible officials of the clean AFPFL. Please discuss with them and send me a reply. I will send you regularly the military and political news that your comrades require..."

The sender, AFPFL leader U Po Thet, has now been sent for trial under the Unlawful Association Act, and considerable repercussions are expected.

Whether these will touch U Nu himself is doubtful, but he has meanwhile made his sympathies clear in a marathon lecture on socialism delivered in Rangoon. "For the idea of profit and private property must be substituted 'from everyone according to his ability, to everyone according to his labours'," he said. "The exploited and exploiter classes will disappear, there will also be no need for one class to repress another, and the need for government will disappear; capitalism will disappear; imperialism will disappear; and there will be no more wars."

U Nu's sources of inspiration would seem easy to detect, but the references he gives for his 41-page talk come as a surprise. They were four British and American encyclopaedias, a short history of socialism written by a Scot, H. G. Well's "Outline of History" and an erudite work known as the "Information Please Almanac."

PEN FRIENDS

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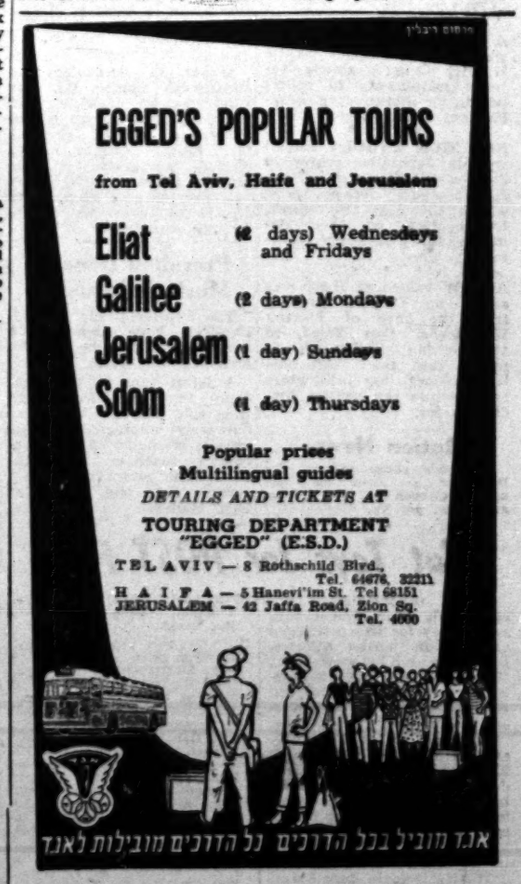

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